

**CLAIM AMENDMENTS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) An interface card for connection to a host and a power supply module, the power supply module supplying power to the host, the interface card comprising:

a power charging module, for connection to the power supply module;

a host power connecting module, for connection to the host;

a power module, connected to the power charging module and the host power connecting module; and

a control module, detecting a power state of both the power module and the power supply module, and transmitting a warning message to the host when either one of the power module and the power supply module is low in capacity; and

a signal transmission module connected between the ~~power module~~ host and the control module, the control module sending and receiving messages from the host via the signal transmission module;

wherein the power module provides electrical power to the host when the power supply module is low in capacity, and the power module is recharged via the power charging module by the power supply module of the host when the power module is low in capacity.

2. (Original) The interface card of claim 1, wherein the connection between the interface card and the host uses an ISA bus.

3. (Original) The interface card of claim 1, wherein the connection between the interface card and the host uses a PCI bus.

4-5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently amended) A computer system with backup power, comprising:

a host;

a power supply module; connected to the host and supplying power to the host; and

an interface card, connected to the host and the power supply module, the interface card comprising:

a power charging module, connected to the power supply module;

a host power connecting module, connected to the host;

a power module, connected to the power charging module and the host power connecting module;

a control module, detecting a power state of both the power module and the power supply module, and sending a warning message to the host

when either one of the power module and the power supply module is low in capacity; and

a signal transmission module connected between the power module host and the control module, the control module sending and receiving messages from the host via the signal transmission module;

wherein the power module provides electrical power to the host when the power supply module is low in capacity, and the power module is recharged via the power charging module by the power supply module of the host when the power module is low in capacity.

7-9. (Cancelled)

10. (Original) The computer system of claim 6, wherein the interface card is connected to the host via an ISA bus.

11. (Original) The computer system of claim 6, wherein the interface card is connected to the host via a PCI bus.

12-19. (Cancelled)